

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An image pickup apparatus having large rigidity, even if a thin steel plate is used for a main chassis, includes a solid-state image pickup device for converting an object image into an electric signal, a chassis, and a protective housing (armor). The chassis includes a plurality of stepwise bent portions. The bent portions positioned at opposing ends of the chassis are fixed at both ends of the image pickup apparatus in a state contacting the protective housing (armor).

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